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THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" The matter is under the consideration of the Government."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Questions are over."

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—MESSAGES FROM THE COUNCIL.

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have to announce to the House the following Messages received from the Hon. the Chairman, Madras Legislative Council, dated 2nd April 1953 :—

'I transmit a copy of the Madras Lignite (Acquisition of Land) Bill, 1953 (L. A. Bill No. 5 of 1953), as agreed to by the Council without any amendment and signed by me.

'I transmit a copy of the Cotton Ginning and Pressing Factories (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1953 (L.A. Bill No. 6 of 1953), as agreed to by the Council without any amendment and signed by me.

'I transmit a copy of the Land Acquisition (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1953 (L.A. Bill No. 7 of 1953), as agreed to by the Council without any amendment and signed by me.

'I transmit a copy of the Provincial Insolvency (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1953 (L.A. Bill No. 8 of 1953), as agreed to by the Council without any amendment and signed by me.

'I transmit a copy of the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Amendment Bill, 1953 (L.A. Bill No. 9 of 1953), as agreed to by the Council without any amendment and signed by me.' "

III.—MOTION UNDER RULE 22 OF THE ASSEMBLY RULES.

9-40 p.m. THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Sir, I move—

'*Under Rule* 22 (3) *of the Madras Assembly Rules, the Madras District Boards* (*Amendment*) *Bill*, 1953, *be taken up first*'."

The motion was put and carried.

IV.—GOVERNMENT BILL.

THE MADRAS DISTRICT BOARDS (AMENDMENT) BILL [a], 1953.

* THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to introduce the Madras District Boards (Amendment) Bill, 1953, and move—

'*That the Bill be taken into consideration at once.*'

" The term of office of the present members of all the District Boards except Srikakulam and Visakhapatnam as extended by the Madras District Boards (Amendment) Act, 1952 (Madras Act VII of 1952), will expire on 1st July 1953. The normal term of office of the present members of the District Boards of Srikakulam and Visakhapatnam will expire on the 29th December 1953. Normally elections should be held before the end of June 1953 to all the 23 district boards whose term of office has been extended up to

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